REMARKS

Applicant hereby elects the claims of Group I, namely, claims 1-31 and 36-41, drawn to a filter device, classified in class 55, subclass 483. The election is made without traverse.

No fees or extensions of time are believed to be due in connection with this Amendment; however, please consider this a request for any extension inadvertently omitted and charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 502093.

Respectfully submitted,

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